

THEY STOOD THE TEST.

Great Success of the Dynamite Guns on the Vesuvius.

THE TRIALS MADE AT PORT ROYAL

Are More Than Satisfactory—Facts Were Demonstrated Which Are Likely to Revolutionize Naval Warfare—One Crucial Test on Which the Success of the New System Hinged—Shots Fired at a Two-Thousand-Yard Range—More Tests to Come.

PORT ROYAL, S. C., Feb. 2.—Straight as an arrow flew the first shot from the pneumatic guns of the Vesuvius yesterday. It left the muzzle of the starboard gun at an angle of eighteen degrees, shook off its wooden centering pieces about one hundred yards distant and then sped heading through the clear ether towards the 2,000-yard range.

Now it takes up a slow motion of rotation, due to the pressure of the air against the steel vanes in the base, rises about 600 feet and then plunges into the river at a sharp angle. Instead of disappearing, as even the experts expected, it comes along the surface of the water, the vanes turning over like the blades of a propeller.

In an instant Captain Schroeder, the man to whom the Vesuvius owes much of her present efficiency, jumps out of the tower and traces the swift-moving aerial torpedo to the water's edge.

"No lateral deviation from the line of fire, but a trifle short," says the commander of the dynamite boat to the president of the board.

"An excellent line shot, even with a power gun," remarks Capt. Beardsley, the commandant of the naval station.

And well were these remarks merited, for a few minutes later two successive shots from the same gun fell within four yards of each other and not more than twelve yards distant from the extreme range required.

A result such as this is one of which even the high-power rifle gun might well be proud. Indeed, it is doubtful if such a marvelous degree of accuracy has ever been attained by them.

EVERYBODY WAS ENTHUSIASTIC.

No one could witness the marvelous accuracy of these 500-pound projectiles to-day without experiencing the same degree of enthusiasm that each and every officer attached to the Vesuvius seems to feel. Here are men who have neither personal nor moneyed influence in the success or failure of the pneumatic gun, and yet, for two years, they had been preaching a creed that had to be accepted to-day.

Through there are other tests to follow, the great difficulty that stood in the way of the new system was the supposed inability to establish a setting of the valves that would give the same reading for the same pressure. In other words, air is admitted to the base of the projectile at a pressure of 750 pounds to the square inch.

A certain amount of this air is used each time a shot is fired, and this reduces the pressure in the firing reservoir. This loss of pressure for each range has been the desideratum, and once this should become constant it was an easy matter to fire any desired distance.

This practice is known as ranging the guns. Once the Vesuvius could demonstrate its ability to fire accurately any required distance the question of throwing dynamite or any other high explosive was purely a mechanical one, dependent upon the aid of the fuse.

All the other tests that are to follow will simply show the personal error of the gunner, not any defect in the system, any more than a rifle put in the hands of a poor shot would condemn the gun.

BEGINNING OF THE TESTS.

Nine o'clock was the hour set for the beginning of tests this morning, but as early as 8:30 the guns of the Vesuvius awoke the dreamy echoes of Port Royal. It was simply the firing of blank cartridges, or rather allowing air to escape at a pressure of 750 pounds, to try the valves and lubricate the guns for the important work ahead.

At 9 o'clock the Philadelphia's launch came alongside the Vesuvius with Commodore Sicard, Captain Barker and Lieutenant Naxzo, the members of the trial board. Following them in another launch were Lieut. John B. Briggs and John C. Fremont and Ensign H. J. Ziegler. These officers were detailed to observe the fall of the shots and plot them by means of the theodolite angles. In the same boat was also Ensign A. A. Ackerman with camera and a number of delicate electrical appliances to photograph the projectile in its downward path. This, it was thought, would give the angle of the shot when it struck the water.

The board was determined to be exhaustive in their tests, and therefore another boat followed with an immense fish-net that was to be stretched across the extreme limit of the range to see how far under water the shots would remain in motion. It was found that the tide was too swift to admit of this being used anyway, and it was therefore abandoned.

About 9:30 o'clock, when everything was in readiness to begin firing, a lighter that was filled with the projectiles and gun-cotton and anchored astern of the Vesuvius, broke adrift and came sweeping down the river. The two launches of the Philadelphia steamed over and after a heroic effort managed to tow her ashore, where she was anchored and a red flag hoisted.

LOADING THE VESUVIUS GUNS.

This little diversion delayed the test more than an hour. At last, about 11 o'clock, the officers took their stations. Assistant Engineer Moore started the engines to complete the charging of the reservoirs, and Captain Schroeder cleared his ship for action.

Lieut. Dombaug called all the first division to quarters, and ordered them below to the gunroom, where he superintended the loading.

"The guns are ready for firing, sir," said Capt. Schroeder to the president of the board.

"Very well, sir," replied Commodore Sicard. "We wish you to place two shots from each gun at a distance of 2,000 yards."

Immediately two signal flags fluttered from the foremost head of the Vesuvius. It was a messenger to the observers to say that their theodolites must be set near the 2,000-yard line to catch the angle of the shot as it fell.

Promptly at 11:20 Captain Schroeder went into the armed conning tower and placed his hand upon the lever of the starboard gun. Two minutes later the order was given: "Haul down the signal."

Suddenly an intense vibration seemed to pass from stern to stern, followed by a kind of kick that moved the vessel at

least three feet astern, and simultaneously came a sharp, cracking report, not so intense as that of a powder gun and similar in sound to the explosion of a million pop-guns. This was the firing of a 500-pound dynamite projectile from the Vesuvius's starboard gun.

AN EXCELLENT LINE SHOT.

Scarcely had the shot struck the water than a smile rippled over the face of Executive Officer Hanks, for it was an excellent line shot and only a trifle short—more than sufficient, anyway, to sink the largest battleship afloat that might have had the temerity to idle around at a 2,000 yard range.

"If I were on the heaviest of European war-ships, and saw one of these little fellows steaming for me," said a veteran officer, "I would wish myself almost anywhere else."

Two shots were fired from each gun at this range and two at a range of 1,500 yards. The average variation was not more than twenty-five yards short of the line, each shot having no lateral deviation whatever.

The firing was concluded at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, to be resumed tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Commodore Sicard said that the shooting was remarkably good, but he could not tell the exact results until the work had all been plotted and the angle of each observer checked.

Captain Schroeder, the master mind of the Vesuvius, however, could not conceal his enthusiasm, and said that the accuracy of the guns had exceeded even his most sanguine expectations.

Mrs. Blaine's Future Movements.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—Mrs. James G. Blaine will shortly leave Washington for a few weeks. Her destination has not yet been decided upon, but it is probable she will go to some southern resort. Her health is fairly good considering the long physical strain to which she has been subjected for so many weeks in consequence of her assiduous watch at the bedside of Mr. Blaine. She has been the recipient of many invitations from friends in different sections of the country urging her to visit them, but has not accepted any of these offers.

Reinach Was Not Poisoned.

PARIS, Feb. 2.—The *Matin* publishes what purports to be an official report of the autopsy on the body of the late Baron Reinach, who was suspected of having committed suicide in order to escape trial on charges of fraud and swindling in connection with the Panama canal. The report states that there were no marks of violence on the body, and it was impossible to assert that death was due to syncope. The analysis did not reveal poison. The officers who were engaged in the original and subsequent examinations had arrived separately at identical results.

Acted Illegally.

DUBLIN, Feb. 2.—Sir Peter O'Brien, lord chief justice of the queen's bench division of the high court in Ireland, has decided that the Irish government acted illegally in refusing police protection to sheriffs and bailiffs engaged in executing writs at night. The chief justice says in his decision that Chief Secretary Morley is liable to prosecution for refusing the order withholding police protection at the time stated. This decision is hailed with great satisfaction by the Tory landlords and their agents.

Wreck on the Fort Wayne.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 2.—The east bound limited express on the Fort Wayne railroad collided with a freight train near Loudonville, O., at 3 o'clock this morning seriously but not fatally injuring three train men and giving the passengers on the limited a bad shaking up. The trainmen injured were engineer, John Pappard, of Crestline, Ohio, fireman, Richard Westberger, of Crestline, and George Betts, of New York, electrician of the limited. The accident was caused by the freight train pulling from a side track without orders.

The Balloons, Mr. Merryman!

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Circus men are taking steps to form a trust, or a "combination of their allied interests," as they are pleased to style it. The circus men allege that they are in many parts of the country imposed upon, and they propose an iron clad combination for protection. The movement is among the smaller shows, of which there are between 40 or 50 in the west, southwest and south.

Inspired By Jealousy.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Anton Kessell, who has once before been arrested on a charge of murder, fired two shots at Mrs. Kate Jaeger yesterday afternoon, and then shot himself. The woman's wounds are not very serious but the man is expected to die. It is said the two had been lovers and Kessell was jealous because the woman married.

A Copyright Decision.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 2.—In a suit for infringement of copyright, Judge Baker, of the United States district court, yesterday decided that surplus words used in setting forth the fact that a map is copyrighted and which do not vary the meaning of the statute, do not vitiate the copyright.

An Unfounded Report.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Joseph P. Ryan, corresponding secretary of the National Federation of America, to-day makes a statement denying that he said the president of the National Federation of America had called a meeting of the directors of the organization to consider the release of political prisoners.

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W. J. Arkell, publisher of *Judge* and *Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper*, writes:

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LIFE SECRETS.

Don't worry. Don't hurry. "Too swift arrives as tardy as too slow." "Simplify!" "Simplify!" "Simplify!" Don't overeat. Don't starve. Let your moderation be known to all men. "Oh, if you knew what was in the air." Sleep and rest abundantly. Sleep is nature's benediction. Spend less nervous energy each day than you make. Be cheerful. "A light heart lives long." "Think only healthful thoughts." "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." Avoid passion and excitement. A moment's anger may be fatal. Associate with healthy people. Health is contagious as well as disease. "Don't carry the whole world on your shoulders, for few the universe. Trust the Eternal." Watch the first signs of a coming cold. Nine-tenths of all diseases start with a cold. If, at any time, you feel chilly, if you sneeze, if you have cold hands or feet, if your head feels heavy or aches, take at once the best and purest stimulant you can secure. There are many that are claimed to be good stimulants, but there is only one that is strictly reliable, and possesses the best qualities, and that is Dr. King's Pure Malt Whiskey.

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KANSAS' NEW SENATOR.

Some of the Early Exploits in Kansas of John Martin, Pro-Slaveryite. *New York Advertiser.*

Should the gentleman now known as Senator-elect Martin obtain a seat in the august branch of Congress he will bring to that body some rare political and lawmaking experiences, to which I beg to call the attention of the readers of the *Advertiser*.

Mr. John Martin, at twenty-two years of age, set out for Kansas to seek his fortune and help make that newly erected territory a slave state. He accompanied one Rush Elmore of Alabama, whom President Pierce had appointed an associate justice of the territory. Mr. Elmore was an excellent judge of whiskey—who in mainly distinguished in the history of those bloody days for his attempt to cane and kill J. H. Kagi, subsequently John Brown's secretary at Harper's Ferry, on account of an article in the *Topeka Tribune*. A pocket of Kagi's coat, which was half penetrated, the writer saw shortly after the occurrence. It had prevented the ball passing through his heart. Elmore got a ball through his thigh.

Mr. John Martin's first duty as citizen of the territory of Kansas was to help elect a legislature that should be "sound on the goose"—or pro-slavery. This was accomplished by bringing from Missouri a horde of her red-nosed border citizens, and by four illegal votes to one legal vote the "bogus" legislature, some of whose members forced Governor Reeder to certify their election at the point of the revolver, was foisted on the territory.

Mr. Martin, having assisted in this grand political maneuver, was made assistant clerk of the house when that legislative body met in Pawnee in July, 1855. Dr. John H. Stringfellow was elected speaker of the house. This man, an eminent Virginian of his day, said in a public speech: "All who labor for their daily bread and are dependent on their labor for subsistence are slaves. All females who labor for their daily bread are unchaste, and have been so from the days of Abraham." This was the species of social science sought to be implanted in Kansas. Atchison, Stringfellow & Co. were then the political mentors of the hour and of Mr. Martin.

Mr. Martin then "assisted" in breaking the record at law making. The members of the bogus legislature, mostly actual Missourians, were perhaps the scariest looking of blustering, mercenary, overbearing frontiersmen ever got together. They had no inclination, if they had the ability, to make a code of laws for the new territory. They therefore took a thousand pages of the Missouri statutes and enacted an explanatory clause that "state" should mean "territory," "county court," "board of commissioners" and "circuit court," "district court," and the result was the so-called bogus laws of Kansas. For the protection of slavery they, however, enacted far more rigorous laws than Missouri had or that were ever before conceived of. It was made a felony to utter a word against the institution; to advocate free state doctrine was imprisonment at hard labor for not less than five years; to take a slave from his master or advise him of a right to freedom, "such person shall be guilty of felony, and suffer death."

Thus John Martin, "senator-elect," received his earliest political training. The auspices under which a United States senator first enters public life are a matter of national interest. Mr. Martin says: "I am a Democrat." Surely, in view of his record, such an announcement was quite unnecessary.

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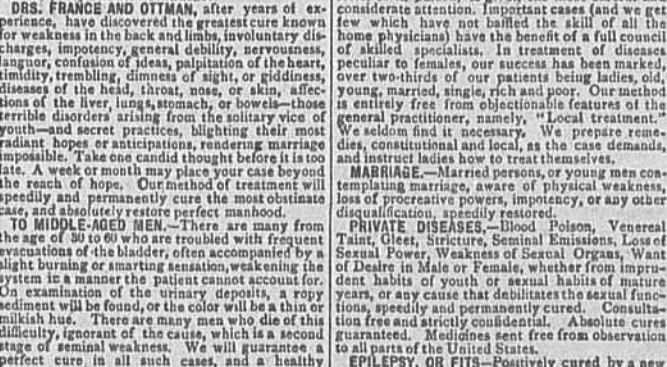
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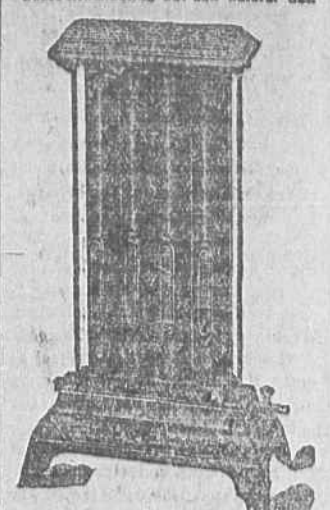
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